



U A CHRISTMAS PARTY

by Debbie Kramer

The Senate held their annual Christmas bash, Friday, December 11, in the Rec Room. The festivities began about 2:30 and lasted until 4:30. Two 6 foot heroes, potato and macaroni salads, chips, pretzels, and soda greeted the many students who attended. D.J. John DiMare set the mood by cranking out an assortment of Christmas tunes and a variety of popular songs, old and new. Despite the fact that the two movie classics were canceled, students showed a lot of Christmas spirit.

Santa made an appearance with a U.A. contribution bag and a perfect smile for "the pictures with Santa." Billy Morrissey, decked out in his red suit and white beard gave the party that much needed traditional touch.

The party was a great success, and U.A. officers Kevin Murphy, Frank McQuail, Sean Joy, and Janine DiStefano would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

CHRISTMAS CHEER AT SJC

by Karen Graham

This year, under the leadership of Ken Raymond and with the assistance of Professor Josephine Belloso, some of the clubs set about decorating various areas around the campus. The Art and Sciences Clubs decorated the front hall of 245, where Brian Rohan of the Art Club set up the tree and organized the tree trimming party on Friday afternoon, December 4. Enjoying the Christmas cheer were Sister George Aquin, Sister Mary Florence, and other members of the faculty, administration, and staff. The Sorority, the Fashion Club, and Footprints decorated the entrance of the library, the cafeteria, and lounge areas; members of the Government and the Photography Club brightened up the "red" and rec rooms. Friends of the College, the Mollicas, donated the wreath in the entrance to 245, and Charley Zink graciously gave the wreaths that hang on the bronze doors. The Christmas spirit came to SJC a little early this year, but it gives all of us an opportunity to enjoy the pine scent, lights, and sparkle before exams.

by Joanne Ellison

Over 125 members of the SJC campus faculty and staff celebrated the holiday season on December 14 at 4:30 PM.

The annual faculty party was held in the auditorium, where Debbie DeJohn, the Director of Counseling, and her brother Anthony, played a medley of Christmas tunes and led the group in a sing-along.

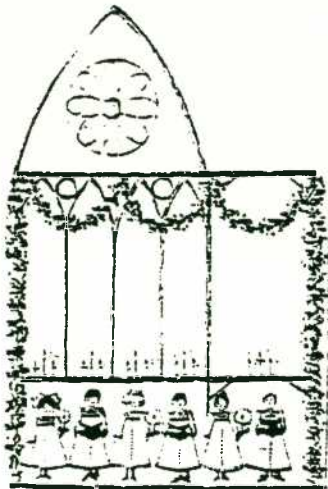
EDITORIAL

by Joanne Ellison

'Tis the season to be jolly...but it is also the season of peace, or at least it is supposed to be. However, by looking at the news on TV and at the newspaper, I sometimes wonder and become a little discouraged. Then a peace treaty is signed by the leaders of the two superpowers to limit nuclear arms. The act itself is a hopeful sign that should be an example worthy of following, even with the smallest problems.

So, during this season, be nice to someone; resolve or attempt to resolve your differences with a friend, and give a loved one a hug.

Merry Christmas, Everyone, and good luck with your exams.



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FROM THE OFFICE OF COUNSELING
AND CAREER SERVICES

On Tuesday, December 8, Debbie DeJohn attended a presentation by Meldisco, a division of Melville Corporation, at their office complex in Mahwah, New Jersey. Meldisco is the largest discount footwear retailer in the United States.

Periodically, job openings arise in areas such as distribution coordinating, merchandising, and buying. The company offers an extensive training program and is interested in interviewing seniors who are ambitious, intuitive, and job motivated with some retail sales experience. If there are enough interested students, Meldisco will conduct on-campus interviews during the spring. Anyone interested in this type of career opportunity should contact Debbie DeJohn for further details.

A LITTLE QUIZ

Q. What do you think of the Christmas decorations?

"The decorations give me a very down-home feeling." Robert McCarthy '90

"Very pretty! They make me nervous because I didn't start my Christmas shopping." Mary Jensis-Carlson '88

"I think the Christmas tree is very nice. It's about time decorations were put on." Carol Hallinger '90

"Who are Alicia and Angela? They have lost their Christmas stockings in the Red Room. The school really does look nice. Merry Christmas." Diana Monaco '90

"The decorations look fabulous. It was just like being at home. It enables everyone to be in the Christmas spirit. What can I say! St. Joe's, you've added another dimension to greatness." Sal DiGaetano '87

SOCIAL WORK SCHOLARSHIP

Through the generosity of an alumna, an unusual opportunity is being made available to a graduate of SJC.

Elizabeth Humann Thieme graduated from St. Joseph's in 1937 with Social Science as her major and Psychology as her minor. Msgr. William T. Dillon, then president of the College, suggested that she go into social work. Betty attended Fordham University School of Social Service from 1937 to 1939, with tuition received from Bishop Molloy, who wanted Catholic young women to pursue this profession. Now Mrs. Thieme would like another young person to have the same opportunity she was given; she will provide a scholarship for an SJC graduate to attend the Fordham University School of Social Service to prepare for a career in social work.

Mary Elizabeth Farrell, Director of Alumni Relations, has provided this background on Elizabeth Humann Thieme. Betty worked for Brooklyn Catholic Charities until the war came, and in 1942 she joined the Red Cross Overseas Service. She served as a medical and psychiatric social worker and as Assistant Field Director in the European Theater of Operations. From 1945 to 1946, Betty was with the Red Cross at Camp Custer in Battle Creek, Michigan. She received the City of Antwerp Service Award in 1945 and the American Red Cross Distinguished Overseas Service Award in 1946.

While overseas, Betty met Doctor E. Thurston, a thoracic surgeon. They married and had five children. While raising a family, Betty was a volunteer for the Red Cross, Catholic Social Service Board, PTA Boards, Republican Headquarters. She is a member of St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Auxiliary..

For further information about the scholarship, please contact Sister Margaret Buckley.

GS DIVISION DIARY

Did you know?

I. Evaluations are essential. We have the power to critique our instructors honestly without fear or intimidation. Evaluations are done as follows"

- Evaluations come into class.
- A student hands out the evaluations.
- Students perform their duty of evaluating the instructors. Instructors do not participate.
- A student collects the papers.
- A student brings them down to the library desk. Most important--do not leave anything unanswered.

Instructors receive a typed outcome of evaluations approximately two months after the session is over. The main reason for this process is to protect all students.

II. Reminder, continuing students must register by December 19th for the Spring '88 semester to avoid paying late fees.

III. Members of the Division of General Studies are traveling to sunny Trinidad and Tobago on May 17th through 27th for the field study in International Health Systems course.

For further information, please contact Professor Victor Brown at 622-4690.

Join us for an experience, never to be forgotten.

Happy "Stress-free" Holidays

Joy
to the
World..



HEAD RUSH

by Charlie Lawson

On December 7, five good friends, my brother included, and I traveled to the Meadowlands Arena. RUSH played to a packed house in support of their latest album, HOLD YOUR FIRE.

This Canadian band got the crowd jumping from the very beginning, wasting no time by playing three classics. Their

light show was excellent with their light beams and arena-filling brights. There was a screen set up behind the stage which showed parts from videos and holograms. Three red ball-shaped balloons hung from the ceiling representing the new album cover. At the end of the encore, red balloons dropped among the fans lucky enough to have floor seats.

Geddy's vocals were excellent as usual, as was his base playing. Alex had the crowd ecstatic with his classic guitar playing as did Neil Peart with his drums. His drum solo is a must to see and hear.

Here's the order of songs they played. (Those followed by N are from the new album.): BIG MONEY... SUBDIVISIONS... LIMELIGHT... MARATHON... TURN THE PAGE(N)... PRIME MOVER(N)... MANHATTAN PROJECT... CLOSER TO THE HEART... RED SECTOR A... FORCE TEN(N)... TIME STAND STILL(N)... DISTANT EARLY WARNING... LOCK AND KEY(N)... MISSION(N)... TERRITORIES... YYZ, into solo by Alex, into THE SPIRIT OF RADIO... TOM SAWYER... For the encore they performed 2112.

RUSH put on a fantastic show and a great time was had by all. I recommend seeing them the next time they come around. This one's for you Tom.

Also, it's Christmas time and a perfect time for Christmas music. The latest Christmas album is titled A VERY SPECIAL CHRISTMAS. Featured on this record are tracks done by Bruce Springsteen, Madonna, Whitney Houston, U2, and others.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all and your families.

WHAT DO YOU THINK....

by Debbie Kramer

In order to give everyone, students as well as faculty, a chance to voice their opinions on subjects which are less threatening than for instance, AIDS, there will be a set of questions in every issue to be responded to. Feel free to give us your input on any and all questions about which you have an opinion. Answers will be tallied and printed in the following issue, which in this case is January.

Here is your first chance to combine your imagination and sense of adventure with the following inquiries. Remember, fun answers are the best answers. In other words, don't lose any sleep over them. Here we go...

1. We all know that a boob tube is a television, so what is an idiot box?

2. The Pediddel Syndrome can strike us at any time. What is a Pediddel?

3. What do you call a shade that allows itself to be pulled down, hesitates for a second, then snaps up in your face?

1. PHOSFLINK 2. CHARP 3. SCHLAHWAPPER

4. What is the commonly known name for the chipped or broken M & M's at the bottom of the bag?

1. MAGGITS 2. MEMNANTS 3. MURKLETS

5. You're on your own with this one...I'm sure everyone has experienced entrance into the FUTERUS ZONE, at least on July 4th and during the baseball season. In your own words, what is the FUTERUS ZONE?

Answer these curiosities and submit them by December 18, 1987. Place answers in the "K" mailbox marked "Debbie Kramer--SPIRIT." Your name is optional. Correct answers will be given credit. Thanks for your cooperation.

HOW MUCH WOULD IT TAKE?

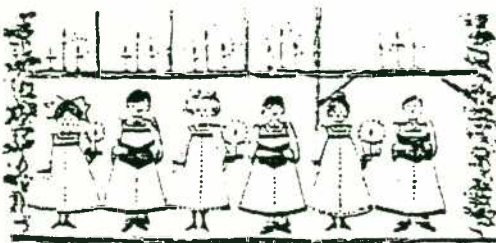
by Debbie Kramer

In a recent survey of 25 St. Joe students, these were the results of two seemingly unimportant, irrelevant questions. These questions may not have any bearing on your everyday life, but they do reveal a moral standard which everybody should take into consideration when identifying his/her personal values.

When asked if they would shave their heads for \$10,000, 13 students said they wouldn't and 12 responded that they would. What a fashion statement! Could you imagine what graduation would look like with half of the student body with no hair? (By the way, 15% of the respondents were female.)

The second question, which was more of a moral question, received some shocking results. Ten out of the 25 students polled, 6 being male, would sell their best friend for \$50,000. The actual question asked was: If someone offered you \$50,000, no questions asked, not to talk to your best friend ever again, would you do it? Most said, "You can't put a price on friendship." But what about that chalet in France you've always wanted...or that 1988 custom-built, fully equipped fire-engine red Porche...

Food for thought...."Money may be the root of all evil, but evil spelled backwards is live."



that it was not as easy as it is here at St. Joe's. Many classes get closed very quickly, so in some weird sense this semester's registration was a joy to me!

REGISTRATION

by Michelle Radix

All students have one common pet peeve--registration. The thought of having to decide what classes you should take next semester is stressful enough, but to make appointments with your advisor and try to coordinate these classes into a nonconflicting time frame is another story.

Maybe by some chance you do meet with your advisor and coordinate a schedule or two schedules that meet your requirements and please you. Then the day of on-line registration comes and you stand on long lines and wait and pray that you don't get closed out of any of your desired classes. If you should get closed out of a class you have to: 1) resort to your back-up schedule, or 2) if you don't have a back-up schedule, well you have to come up with one quick, because time is not on your side at the moment. O.K., you finally get signed into all your classes and now you go back to your advisor's table and fill out a course request form. Keep in mind that this form contains three copies so you must press firmly and write neatly. You somehow manage to complete this task, and now you must stand on line and get your computer printout of your schedule and your STATEMENT OF FEES!

Wow, that bill sure makes you happy. I just can't explain what joy this printout of your bill brings you! After this long process, some of us are finished, but for some, conflicts may have to be worked out. If that is the case, you have to deal with it.

Finally, the ordeal is over--your program is registered for next semester. Now all you have to do is pass your examinations!

There is one advantage to registration at St. Joe's; this is that it is a small college. I have had the pleasure of registering at a bigger college and I tell you

THE BEARS ARE OUT OF HIBERNATION

by Debbie Kramer

On December 2, the SJC Bears were host to Cathedral College at Loughlin. The Bears defeated Cathedral in a 73-49 game. Although each member of the team individually contributed to the win, Danny DePrima, who scored 21 points, and Kevin McEvaddy, who scored 17, were the key contributors to the final score.

The December 3rd game, in which the guys beat Webb at Loughlin, brought the team to a two game winning streak. They will be going to Patchogue on Wednesday with a 5 win, 3 loss record. The final score against Webb was 85-68. Rob Knapp, who scored 38 points against Webb that day, reached a career low against Cathedral on Wednesday by scoring only 6 points. Sorry, Bob, better luck next time!

The team, which recently brought home the 2nd place trophy of the King of Kings Tournament, will be playing in the Mount St. Vincent Tournament Friday and Saturday, December 11 and 12th. Good luck, Guys!

UPDATE: The Bears placed third in the MSV Tournament with a win over Poly.



FLOOR HOCKEY MAKES ITS APPEARANCE AT SJC

Under the impetus of Chris Hardardt, Steven Collica, Michael Bernieri, and Frank Gecsed, four floor hockey teams have been formed under the auspices of the Athletic Association. Under the captains, Rob Knapp of the Blues, Bill Morrissey of the Navies, Bill Friedrich of the Greys, and Chris Hardardt of the Greens, the teams have been playing an average of two games a week. This is the first attempt at organized intramurals in this sport, and the enthusiasm and vitality of the players have enlivened the gym on Mondays and Fridays since October. The group hope to organize other intramural sports for the spring semester.

FINAL RESULTS: MEAN GREEN WINS IT ALL

With a decisive victory, GREEN beat BLUE 8-4 in the first game and 13-5 in the second of a best of three series. Members of the winning team are: Chris Hardardt, Stephen Collica, Michael Bernieri, Frank Gecsed, Jacob Duran, Sean Joy, Vinny Baiardi, and Patrick Lauria. Congrats, Mean Green! Final standings in regular season play: GREEN 5-1, BLUE 5-1, GREY 2-4, NAVY 0-6. Plans are under way for Spring Intramurals in basketball, badminton, ping pong and volleyball.

